

THE PRESIDENT'S INTELLIGENCE CHECKLIST

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~~TOP SECRET~~

1. USSR-Cuba

a. [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] Moscow came to a firm decision during the October crisis that it would not go to war if the US invaded Cuba.

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2. South Vietnam

a. [REDACTED]

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Cong agitators will be out in force tomorrow and looking for ways to stir up violence during memorial ceremonies for the Buddhist monk who incinerated himself earlier this week. A massive turnout of mourners--

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upwards of 100,000 by police estimate--is expected.

b. Buddhist leaders agreed [redacted] to cooperate in efforts to prevent Communist exploitation of tomorrow's ceremonies.

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c. The negotiations had, meanwhile, begun to show some progress.

d. Signs continue to accumulate, however, that the episode has been costly to President Diem in prestige and public confidence. Even among the membership of the normally subservient national assembly there is grumbling over Diem's inept handling of the affair.

3. Congo

a. Tshombé arrived in Paris this morning for "eye treatment." He had no French visa and is now being detained at the airport by French authorities.

b. Tshombé had for some time been planning a June European visit for talks on the prospects for co-operation among conservative regimes in Africa.

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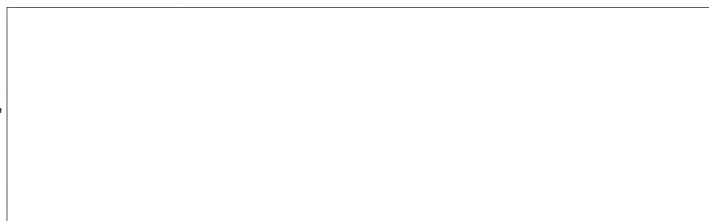
c. Possibly more directly stimulating to Tshombe is his knowledge that the government in Leopoldville has seized some incriminating documents and may be about to issue a warrant for his arrest. It may be a long time before he appears again in Katanga.

4. Saudi Arabia -
US

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5. Soviet space vehicle

a. We continue to expect a second manned launch from Tyuratam but not today.

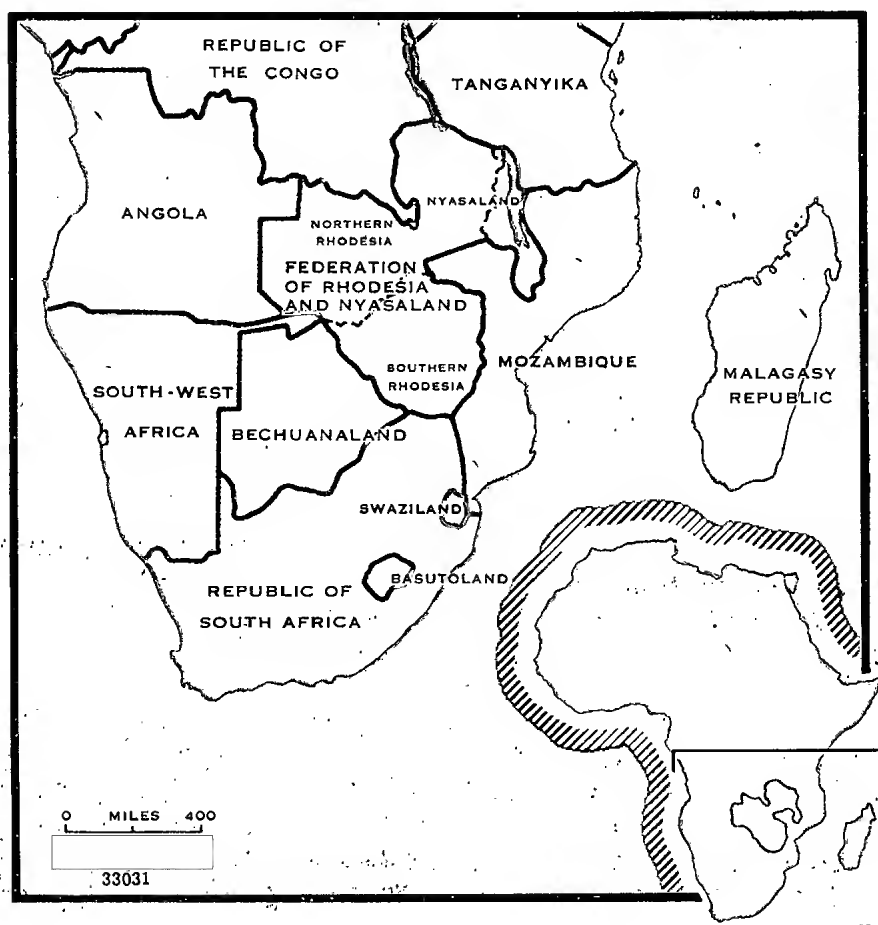


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c. We have no indication when Vostok 5 will be recovered. A sustained flight, possible 8-10 days, is likely.



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NOTES

- A. India-USSR New Delhi is seeking more Soviet AN-12s (turboprop transports) to add to already provided. The Indian Air Force has not been happy with the plane's performance but it has the advantage of cost over Western models and helps to keep open the channel to Moscow.
- B. Swaziland The British have flown in troops and imposed emergency regulations in the colony in the face of a week-long general strike which is threatening public order.

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